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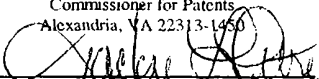
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Title: IN SITU THERMAL  
PROCESSING OF A COAL  
FORMATION TO INCREASE  
PERMEABILITY/POROSITY  
OF THE FORMATION

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Sir:

A request for continued examination is being sent as an accompanying document. Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 26 of this paper.

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